



**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**

**WASHINGTON 25, D. C.**

**OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**

November 28, 1961.

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

In relinquishing my responsibilities as Director of Central Intelligence on November 29, 1961, I wish to express my appreciation for this opportunity to serve you and thus carry on an association begun under President Truman and continued under President Eisenhower.

You and your predecessors, since the organization of the Central Intelligence Agency in 1947, have shown a keen appreciation of the increasing importance of intelligence in the development of our national policy. I feel confident that under your direction my successor, Mr. John McCone, will be able further to fortify the role of intelligence as a major element of our national security.

Over the past fourteen years we have developed in this Agency a corps of trained men and women in the field of intelligence. Their devotion to their work and to our country's welfare gives assurance that the tasks assigned to the Agency will be carried forward faithfully in the national interest.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) ALLEN W. DULLES

Allen W. Dulles  
Director